

Appendices. Fact Sheets on Example Documents

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Appendix A. Los Padres National Forest EIS

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE FOREST SERVICE PACIFIC SOUTHWEST REGION. 1987. FINAL EIS LAND AND RESOURCE MANAGEMENT PLAN LOS PADRES NATIONAL FOREST

Purpose

The Los Padres National Forest EIS addresses alternative ways to manage the Los Padres National Forest (Forest) during the next 10-15 years and over a 50-year planning horizon. The purpose is to identify a plan that provides the highest net public benefit while protecting forest resources and addressing local, regional, and national issues.

Need

The EIS is needed to address legislative requirements for comprehensive, long-range forest plans that would replace individual resource management plans.

Alternatives

The alternatives for this EIS contain specific management actions for the 10- to 15-year plan period. Each of the eight alternatives reflects a different management direction or emphasis, called a "theme". Combinations of both resource uses and management practices were used to describe the alternatives. The following list describes each alternative:

- Alternative I emphasizes responding to local and regional needs by increasing services and commodities. Areas with high resource values would require intensive management.
- Alternative II represents a continuation of providing commodities and services at the highest level possible at low cost. This level and mixture of outputs would be based on 1982 land allocations, directions, policies, and practices.
- Alternative III emphasizes maximizing the amount of manageable wilderness acreage.

Outside of the wilderness areas, enhancement of noncommodity resources, while maintaining current levels of commodity resources production, would be emphasized.

- Alternative IV emphasizes a large part of the Forest and its resources as wilderness.
- Alternative V emphasizes a high level of management for the Big Sur area. The remainder of the Forest would be managed under the lowest budget, a 20% reduction from the 1982 normalized budget.
- Alternative VI emphasizes nonmarket commodities.
- Alternative VII emphasizes production of commodities and amenity values that meet 1980 Rangeland Renewable Resources Planning Act of 1974 (RPA) targets.
- Alternative VIII emphasizes production of commodities that return income to the government at economically efficient levels and have an established market price.

Level of Detail of Analysis

Included in this appendix are tables from the Los Padres National Forest EIS that summarize and categorize the level of detail of analysis.